



Redevelopment of Landmark Mall

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Recently, it was announced after much delay that the respected developer Foulger-Pratt has purchased the site of the defunct Landmark Mall. The multi-use redevelopment being planned will include a new Inova Alexandria Hospital, which has been located off Seminary Road since 1962.

This new project provides an exciting opportunity to build a sustainable and hopefully net-zero carbon development, which will help the City of Alexandria reach its greenhouse gas reduction targets.

Our group has attended several virtual meetings to share details of the project with the community and has pushed the hospital and the development teams to come up with a plan to make this project a beacon for sustainable development.

It appears that the hospital plans to comply with the City's 2019 Green Building Policy but they have not indicated any desire to go beyond what that policy mandates. In an effort to put public pressure on the city and hospital, our group submitted an [op-ed](#) to the *Alexandria Times* which was published March 4.

We plan to continue to push all stakeholders to move beyond the minimum requirements for the benefit of all Alexandrians and for the people who will live and work in the new site. We encourage interested Sierra Club members to attend future meetings which will be posted on the [City website](#). We're also monitoring the redevelopment of the site of the old Mirant coal-fired power plant along the Potomac River north of Old Town, and many meetings are planned to discuss what will be built on this site.

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